

## The Present Participle Form (4<sup>th</sup> Form) of Verb

### Rule-1

Use 4<sup>th</sup> Form of Verb with helping verbs *'has been/have been/had been/shall have been/will have been'* in sentences with *'since'* or *'for'*.

It *has been raining* since morning.

(5 Times)

He *had been raining* about for quite a long time.

### EXERCISE

- (1) We \_\_\_\_ in this house since 2010. (3 Times)  
 a) has living      b) has been living      c) have been living      d) had lived
- (2) He \_\_\_\_ in the park for a long time. (1 Time)  
 a) has been playing      b) plays      c) had played      d) has played
- (3) He \_\_\_\_ been working for two hours. (1 Time)  
 a) will have      b) will be      c) was      d) shall have
- (4) He \_\_\_\_ on the ground for a long time. (1 Time)  
 a) plays      b) has played      c) had been playing      d) have been playing
- (5) We \_\_\_\_ good actions for the last six weeks.  
 a) are doing      b) have been doing      c) did      d) will do

Answer	1	C	2	A	3	A	4	C	5	B
Key										

### Rule 2

Use 4<sup>th</sup> Form of Verb with helping verbs *was/were for longer actions when shorter actions are in 2<sup>nd</sup> form of verb.*

- While she *was stacking* dishes, she *turned* abruptly.
- When *he came*, I *was writing* a letter.

### EXERCISE

- (1) When the bell rang, he \_\_\_\_ a bath. (3 Times)  
 a) was having      b) has      c) had      d) is having
- (2) It started to rain while we \_\_\_\_ cricket. (2 Times)  
 a) are playing      b) were playing      c) will be playing      d) play
- (3) When he came, I \_\_\_\_ the boys. (1 Time)  
 a) will have taught      b) have been teaching  
 c) had been teaching      d) was teaching
- (4) When I went out, the sun \_\_\_\_ . (1 Time)  
 a) was shining      b) shines      c) shone      d) had shone
- (5) He stopped twice while he \_\_\_\_ the steep bluff.  
 a) is climbing      b) was climbing      c) climbs      d) had climbed

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<b>Answer</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>Key</b>										

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**Rule-3**

Use 4<sup>th</sup> Form of Verb with helping verbs is/am/are in sentences with *now, at present, these days, now-a-days, next week* etc.

- They *are living* in Karachi *now-a-days*.
- Where *are* you *going now*?

**EXERCISE**

- (1) **Now-a-days Mr. Nazir \_\_\_us English. (2 Times)**  
 a) teach                      b) teaching                      c) is teaching                      d) taught
- (2) **I \_\_\_ Lahore next week. (2 Times)**  
 a) would be visiting      b) am visiting                      c) should be visiting      d) have visited
- (3) **She \_\_\_ her lesson at present. (1 Time)**  
 a) learns                      b) learned                      c) is learning                      d) will learn
- (4) **Are you \_\_\_ your homework? (1 Time)**  
 a) do                      b) doing                      c) done                      d) did
- (5) **His father \_\_\_ a book these days. (1 time)**  
 a) is writing                      b) was writing                      c) write                      d) writes

<b>Answer</b>	1	C	2	B	3	C	4	B	5	A
<b>Key</b>										

**Rule-4**

Use 4<sup>th</sup> Form of Verb after prepositions like ‘with a view to, look forward to, get used to, averse to etc’.

- He is *addicted to gambling*.
- He *devoted* himself *to helping* the poor.

**EXERCISE**

- (1) **I was fined for not \_\_\_ homework. (1 Time)**  
 a) do                      b) did                      c) done                      d) doing
- (2) **He was looking forward to \_\_\_ with the new Prime Minister.**  
 a) work                      b) working                      c) works                      d) worked
- (3) **He is averse to \_\_\_\_.**  
 a) smoking                      b) smokes                      c) smoked                      d) smoke
- (4) **You quickly get used to \_\_\_\_\_ the brakes.**  
 a) use                      b) using                      c) used                      d) uses
- (5) **He has called a meeting of all parties, with a view to \_\_\_\_ a government.**  
 a) form                      b) forming                      c) formed                      d) forms

Answer	1	D	2	B	3	A	4	B	5	B
Key										

**Complementary Exercise-1**

- (1) I \_\_\_\_\_ in the rain for half an hour. (2 Times)  
 a) am standing      b) have been standing      c) stand      d) standing
- (2) It \_\_\_\_\_ since morning. (2 Times)  
 a) will blowing      b) is blowing      c) blow      d) has been blowing
- (3) She is not sleeping; she \_\_\_\_\_ the book. (2 Times)  
 a) is studying      b) has study      c) had study      d) is study
- (4) He \_\_\_\_\_ sleeping now. (2 Times)  
 a) is      b) was      c) has been      d) had been
- (5) The children \_\_\_\_\_ forward to this holiday for months. (1 Time)  
 a) have been looking      b) are looking      c) will look      d) were looking
- (6) It \_\_\_\_\_ drizzling since morning. (1 Time)  
 a) has been      b) will have      c) will has      d) should have been
- (7) Amna \_\_\_\_\_ an apple when I saw her. (1 Time)  
 a) was eating      b) will be eating      c) is eating      d) eaten
- (8) Ibraheem \_\_\_\_\_ helping the poor for many years. (1 Time)  
 a) is      b) has been      c) will be      d) was
- (9) It started to rain while we \_\_\_\_\_ tennis. (1 Time)  
 a) are playing      b) played      c) were playing      d) had played
- (10) The bell \_\_\_\_\_ when I reached college. (1 Time)  
 a) was ringing      b) is ringing      c) had been rung      d) will be ringing

**Answer Key**

1	B	2	D	3	A	4	A	5	A	6	A	7	A	8	B	9	C	10	A
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**Complementary Exercise-2**

- (1) When he saw me I \_\_\_\_\_ to college. (1 Time)  
 a) went      b) was going      c) would go      d) had gone
- (2) He \_\_\_\_\_ his boy how to ride a bicycle. (1 Time)  
 a) is teaching      b) is teach      c) do not teach      d) have taught
- (3) It is a lovely morning; the birds \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Time)  
 a) have chirp      b) are chirping      c) has chirped      d) might chirped
- (4) They will be \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Time)  
 a) plays      b) playing      c) play      d) played
- (5) He \_\_\_\_\_ playing since morning. (1 Time)  
 a) has been      b) was      c) had      d) have been
- (6) She made tea while I \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Time)  
 a) sleep      b) sleeping      c) was sleeping      d) can sleep
- (7) I \_\_\_\_\_ in this college for ten years. (1 Time)  
 a) teach      b) have been teaching      c) has taught      d) will be teaching
- (8) I \_\_\_\_\_ here since 2002. (1 Time)  
 a) lived      b) live      c) am living      d) have been leaving
- (9) When the phone bell rang, I \_\_\_\_\_ tea. (1 Time)  
 a) took      b) taking      c) will take      d) was taking
- (10) She said that it \_\_\_\_\_ since morning. (1 Time)  
 a) is raining      b) was raining      c) has been raining      d) had been raining

**Answer Key**

1	B	2	A	3	B	4	B	5	A	6	C	7	B	8	D	9	E	10	D
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**Complementary Exercise-3**

- (1) **What \_\_\_\_\_ you doing now?** (1 Time)  
 a) are                      b) were                      c) will                      d) have
- (2) **How long \_\_\_\_\_?** (1 Time)  
 a) has you been teaching                      b) are you teaching  
 c) have you been teach                      d) have you been teaching
- (3) **They \_\_\_\_\_ in this house for ten years.** (1 Time)  
 a) are living                      b) live                      c) would be living                      d) have been living
- (4) **The trial \_\_\_\_\_ on for a long time.** (1 Time)  
 a) have gone                      b) go                      c) had gone                      d) has been going
- (5) **The children were frightened as it \_\_\_\_\_ dark.** (1 Time)  
 a) was getting                      b) gets                      c) will get                      d) has got
- (6) **Who \_\_\_\_\_ at the door now?** (1 Time)  
 a) had knocking                      b) knock                      c) knocks                      d) is knocking
- (7) **In a hundred years, people \_\_\_\_\_ in air buses.** (1 Time)  
 a) will be travelling                      b) would travel                      c) travelled                      d) traveling
- (8) **He told me that he \_\_\_\_\_ reading the book.** (1 Time)  
 a) is                      b) was                      c) were                      d) has been
- (9) **Can you tell who \_\_\_\_\_ this institute now?** (1 Time)  
 a) had run                      b) ran                      c) is running                      d) run
- (10) **Amna \_\_\_\_\_ onions since morning.** (1 Time)  
 a) had peel                      b) has been peeling                      c) have been peeling                      d) has peeled

**Answer Key**

1	A	2	D	3	D	4	D	5	A	6	D	7	A	8	B	9	C	10	B
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